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In re Application of	:	
Matich, et al.	:	
Application No. 07/578,515	:	ON PETITION
Filed: August 16, 1990	:	
Attorney Docket No. 100123/50879/02589	:	

This is a decision on the petition, filed March 2, 2007, under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment is **GRANTED**.

The Office contended that the above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the Notice Regarding Drawings, mailed August 4, 2006, which set non-extendable period for reply of two (2) months. In addition, applicants did not timely respond to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, mailed July 12, 2006, which set a three month period for reply. Having received no drawings, the application became abandoned on October 5, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 23, 2007.


The Office received a proper Revocation of Previous Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorneys on June 17, 2004. Unfortunately, the Office did not promptly enter the requested changes, including a change in correspondence address. This error resulted in all later mailed correspondence being directed to the previous correspondence address of record and the subsequent return of the correspondence. The Revocation of Previous Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorneys, filed June 17, 2004, was entered into Office databases in time for the mailing of a Notice of Abandonment.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is granted, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn, and the January 23, 2007 Notice of Abandonment is vacated. No petition fee has been or will be charged in connection with this matter.

After the mailing of this decision, the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 3662 for the re-mailing of the July 12, 2006 Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due and Notice of Allowability. It is noted that applicants did not receive the Notice Regarding Drawings, mailed August 4, 2006. The undersigned hopes the issues raised in the August 4, 2006 Notice will be

included in a revised Notice of Allowability. If not, Publications Division will have to re-mail the August 4, 2006 Notice Regarding Drawings. Of course, new periods for reply must be set.

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